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KARNATAKA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, BENGALURU

NOTIFICATION

NO: KSLSA/O3/ADM/SO/2026 DATED 16.04.2026

DIRECT RECRUITMENT OF THE CANDIDATES TO THE POSTS OF SECTION OFFICER

UNDER RESIDUAL PARENT CADRE

LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION THROUGH ONLINE: 15.05.2026

It is hereby notified that the online application is invited from the candidate, who fulfills the essential qualifications and other eligibility conditions prescribed below, for recruitment of **17** posts of **Section Officer**, by way of Direct Recruitment under Residual Parent Cadre in the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru.

This Notification/Recruitment is subject to the final outcome of Writ Petition No.200448/2025 c/w 17968/2025 and 3145/2023 pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka.

PART - A

1. Classification of vacancies :

17 POSTS UNDER RESIDUAL PARENT CADRE

Category	Un-reserved	Women Candidate	Rural Candidate	Kannada Medium Candidate	Persons with Benchmark Disability	Ex-servicemen	Transgender	TOTAL
General Merit	**02**	**03**	**02**	**-**	**01***	**-**	**-**	**08**
Scheduled Castes	**01**	**01**	**01**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**03**
Scheduled Tribes	**01**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**01**
Category-I	**01**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**01**
Category-II(A)	**01**	**01**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**02**
Category-II(B)	**01**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**01**
Category-III(A)	**01**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**01**
Category-III(B)	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
TOTAL	**08**	**05**	**03**	**-**	**01***	**-**	**-**	**17**

Note :

1. The classification is made on the basis of Government Order No. DPAR 01 SeHiMa 2026 dated 27.02.2026.
2. **(*)** Indicates the classification of vacancies for Persons with Benchmark Disability made as per Government Order No.DPAR 149 SRR 2020 dated 25.09.2020, the details are as under:

Category	Horizontal Reservation	Nature of Disability
General Merit	Point No. 4	Blindness and low vision

2. Scale of Pay :

69250-1650-74200-1900-85600-2300-99400-2700-115600-3100-134200

3. Method of Recruitment :

Selection of candidates will be made in accordance with;

a) The Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

b) The Karnataka State Legal Services Authority Rules, 1996, as amended from time to time.

c) The Karnataka State Legal Services Authority Regulations, 1997.

d) The Karnataka Civil Services (General Recruitment) Rules, 1977,

e) The Karnataka Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other Backward Classes (Reservation of Appointment, etc.) Act, 1990,

f) The Karnataka Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other Backward Classes (Reservation of Appointment, etc,) Rules, 1992.

g) The Government Circulars/Notifications are as under :

Sl. No.	Government Circulars / Notifications	Date	Subject
1.	DPAR 262 SRR 2025	29.01.2026	Providing Age Relaxation of 5 years (as a one time measure)
2.	DPAR 08 SRR 2001	13.02.2001	Regarding candidate claiming Rural Reservation
3.	DPAR 19 SRR 2020	12.10.2020	Regarding No Objection Certificate (NOC) in respect of In-service candidate.

4. (a) <u>Qualification</u> :

Must have passed LL.B from recognized University.

(b) <u>Age Limit :</u>

A candidate applying to the said post shall not be less than 18 years of age and must not have completed the maximum age limit fixed in the second column in the table below, as on 16.04.2026.

Candidates belonging to	Maximum Age Limit
General Merit	40 years
Category - II(A)/ II(B)/ III(A)/ III(B) of Other Backward Classes	43 years
Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe/ Category–I of Other Backward Classes	45 years
Additional age relaxation will be provided to **other categories** as per the Karnataka Civil Services (General Recruitment) Rules, 1977.	

5. Application fee:

The candidate shall pay the application fee through UPI/Net Banking/Debit Card payment gateway as mentioned in the online application. The fee prescribed for the candidates are as under :

Candidates belonging to	Application Fee
General Merit/ Category - II(A)/ II(B)/ III(A)/ III(B) of Other Backward Classes	Rs.1,000/-
Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe/ Category–I of Other Backward Classes/ Persons with Benchmark Disability.	Rs.500/-

Note:

1. Fee once paid will not be refunded under any circumstances even in case, fee has been paid for more than one application.
2. To avoid last minute rush, the candidate is advised to submit the application through online well in advance.
3. The candidate can submit application and make payment of application fee, round the clock, till 11:59 p.m., on 15.05.2026.
4. The application which does not fulfill the prescribed requirement shall be rejected.
5. The candidate called for Interview will be informed only through e-mail/SMS/WhatsApp as registered in the application.

6. Probation :

A candidate selected and appointed would be on probation for a period of two years, or for such extended period.

7. Mode of Selection :

Through Competitive Examination and Interview. The details of which are hereunder:

(i) Competitive Examination Procedure :

1) The examination will be conducted through offline by way of objective type (OMR type) for Paper-I and Paper-II.
2) The examination will be conducted only at Bengaluru Centre.
3) The candidate shall download the admission card for the examination from the **Karnataka Examinations Authority Website** i.e., **https://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea/indexnew** The candidate

shall possess the downloaded admission card and the original Identity Proof (Driving License/Aadhaar Card/Pan Card/Passport/Voter ID) while appearing for the examination. Without admission card and identity proof referred to above, the candidate will not be permitted to appear for the examination.

4) The selected candidate who has not passed Kannada as the First or Second Language in the SSLC Examination conducted by the Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board or any other examination declared equivalent to it by the State Government or in examinations higher than SSLC or has passed Kannada Language Examination (Compulsory Kannada Examination) conducted by the Commission or any other selection Authority, such candidate shall pass Kannada Language Departmental Examination conducted by Karnataka Public Service Commission and submit the passing certificate to the office of Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru, before completing the period of probation.

(ii) Question Papers and Syllabus :

Paper	Subject	Total Questions	Duration (Hours)	Maximum Marks	Minimum Marks
Paper-I	General knowledge: • Current Affairs • General Science • History and Geography of Karnataka • Social Science • General Intellectual Ability • Public Administration and Rural Development • Environmental Science and Logical Thinking	100	2 Hours	300	105
Paper-II	• The Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 • The Karnataka State Legal Services Authority Rules, 1996 • The Karnataka State Legal Services Authority Regulations, 1997 • The Karnataka Civil Services Rules • The Karnataka Financial Code, 1958 • Constitution of India • Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 • Bharatiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023	100	2 Hours	300	105

	• Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 • Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 • General Knowledge in Kannada Language				

(iii) Negative Valuation :

a. In Question Paper–I & Question Paper–II of the Competitive Examination, each question has four alternative answers, and the candidate has to select only one answer. 1/4th (0.75) marks will be deducted for each wrong answer.

b. In the OMR Sheet, there will be a fifth option/circle for each question. For the unanswered questions, the candidate can shade the fifth option/circle. If any of the option/circle is not shaded, then 1/4th (0.75) marks for such question will be deducted.

c. An additional 05 minutes will be given after the last bell to shade fifth option, to avoid negative valuation.

(iv) Interview :

The successful candidate in the Competitive Examination will be called for Interview in the ratio of 1:5 in each of the reserved category. The marks for the interview is as under :

Particulars	Maximum Marks	Minimum marks
Interview (Viva-Voce)	20	10

PART-B

I. General Instructions :

The candidate shall read all the instructions before submitting the online application.

While submitting application through online, the candidate shall ensure that he / she fulfills the eligibility criteria and other norms and that all the particulars furnished by the candidate are correct in all aspects and shall possess all the relevant marks cards and documents relating to Educational qualification / reservations.

II. Eligibility Criteria :

i. The candidate must be an Indian citizen.

ii. A male candidate having more than one living wife and a female candidate already married to a person who has another wife shall not be eligible for appointment without obtaining the prior approval from the Government.

iii. The candidate, who is not claiming any relaxation under benchmark disability, should be mentally and physically fit and free from any physical defect likely to interfere with efficient performance of the duties. If the Medical Board is of the opinion that the candidate is not physically and mentally fit, the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority shall have the power to cancel the appointment of such candidate.

iv. A person who has been permanently debarred from examination or recruitment conducted by the Central or the State of Karnataka or other State Public Service Commission or Karnataka Examinations Authority or any University, will not be eligible for appointment.

v. A person who has been convicted for an offence involving moral turpitude or who has been temporarily debarred or disqualified from examinations or requirements conducted by the Central or Karnataka State or any other State Public Service Commission or Karnataka Examinations Authority or any University shall not be eligible for appointment until the Government/ Competent Authority holds him/ her eligible for appointment.

vi. There shall be no pending criminal case against the candidate.

III. Telephone Number for any clarification :

Karnataka Examinations Authority Helpline No.080-23460460
(09.00 AM to 07.00 PM - on working days).

IV. Procedure for submitting application through online :

a. The candidate shall submit the online application through https://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea/indexnew **(Applications sent by any mode other than online, will be rejected).**

b. The candidate shall fill all the particulars sought in the application and payment of fee shall be made in accordance with the instructions. Application once submitted cannot be modified.

c. The candidate shall provide the Postal Address, Mobile number and valid e-mail ID mandatorily at relevant columns for the purpose of communication, while submitting online application. The Karnataka Examinations Authority is not responsible for non-receipt of SMS/e-

mail/WhatsApp due to furnishing incorrect information i.e., invalid Mobile Number and e-mail.

d. The candidate shall scan the latest passport size photograph with white background (having 5 cm length X 3.5 cm breadth with maximum size 50kb to 200kb) and signature on white paper in black ball point pen (having 2.5 cm length X 7.5 cm breadth with maximum size 25kb to 50kb) in jpg format and upload the same, while submitting the online application. The jpg format must be clear and visible, else the application will be rejected.

e. The candidate shall compulsorily provide the following details in the online application ;

   i) Aadhaar Card Number
   ii) SSLC/10th Standard Registration Number
   iii) LL.B Marks Card
   iv) Caste Certificate and Income details, if applicable.
   v) Other Reservations i.e., Rural from 1 to 10th standard and Persons with Benchmark Disability.

f. Before final submission of the online application, the candidate will be able to preview the duly filled application. Candidate is advised to take printout of the filled application for his / her record.

g. The candidate should retain the application number for generation of admission card and intimation letter from the link provided on the Website of Karnataka Examinations Authority and for any other information regarding his / her eligibility for Interview.

h. (i) Candidate is advised to visit website of Karnataka Examinations Authority for updates regarding the recruitment to the post of Section Officer at regular intervals.

   (ii) The list of eligible candidates for Interview will be published on the following websites of Karnataka Examinations Authority and Karnataka State Legal Services Authority i.e.,

      a) https://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea/indexnew

      and

      b) https://karnataka.nalsa.gov.in

   (iii) Intimation for interview will be sent to the eligible candidates through SMS/e-mail/WhatsApp furnished by the candidate at the time of submission of online application.

i. In case, the candidate submits more than one online application, the last of the application submitted will be entertained. All previous

application/s stand/s rejected and no correspondence will be entertained.

j. The candidates appearing for the Competitive Examination and Interview shall bear their own cost.

V. Candidates claiming reservations shall possess:

Caste Reservation	(1)	The certificate in prescribed format as on the date of submission of application.
	(2)	Prescribed format of Caste Certificate:

Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe	Form –D
Category – I	Form – E
Category-II (A) / II (B) / III (A)/ III (B)	Form – F

VI. Candidates claiming other reservations shall possess:

Rural Reservation	(1)	Candidate should have studied from class 1 to 10 standard in rural area.
	(2)	Candidate belonging to General Merit and claiming the Rural Reservation shall submit a certificate in Form 2 duly countersigned by the Block Education Officer (BEO) and a certificate in Form No.1 stating that the candidate does not belong to Creamy Layer, issued by the concerned Tahsildar.
	(3)	Candidate belonging to Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe/Category-I, Category-II(A), II (B), III (A), III (B) claiming under the Rural Reservation should mandatorily submit a certificate in Form-2 duly countersigned by Block Education Officer (BEO). If any candidate fails to submit the same, such candidate will be ineligible to claim Rural Reservation.
Reservation under Ex-Servicemen		Candidate shall possess the certificate of the Release or Discharge from Armed Forces.
Reservation under Persons with Benchmark Disability		Candidate shall possess the certificate issued by the concerned Authority, as prescribed in the Official Memorandum No. DPAR 115 SRR 2005 dated 19.11.2005.

Reservation under Transgender	Candidate shall possess certificate issued by the Competent Authority as per Section 6 of the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019.
In-service candidate	Candidate is required to submit No Objection Certificate (NOC) to the office of Karnataka State Legal Services Authority immediately after the issuance of selection list but the same should be submitted before the issuance of an appointment order.
The caste and other reservation certificates which are obtained after the last date of online application will not be considered.	

(i) The original documents in respect of educational qualification, caste and other reservations as claimed by the candidate shall be produced at the time of Interview/Verification. If any candidate, fails to produce the same at the time of Interview/Verification, it will result in cancellation of reservation of such candidate and his/her application will be considered only under General Merit category, if he/she otherwise eligible.

(ii) Reservation Certificates submitted in formats other than prescribed will not be considered.

VII. Candidate called for Interview shall produce a copy of Intimation Letter along with original Proof of Identity i.e., Voter ID/Aadhaar Card/PAN Card/ Ration Card/Passport/Driving Licence and the documents supporting claim for reservation as mentioned at Part-B - IV(e).

VIII. Character Certificates :

a) One certificate issued from the Head of the Institution in which the candidate has completed LL.B with study details, and

b) Two certificates from respectable persons in the society and not being relative but who is well acquainted with the candidate.

IX. If any discrepancies are found in the online application and original documents submitted during verification, the candidature will be rejected.

X. Merely attending the Competitive Examination / Interview shall not confer any right of appointment and no candidate shall be appointed to the post unless the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority is

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satisfied, after such enquiries as may be considered necessary that the candidate is suitable in all respects for appointment to the post.

XI. The candidate appointed to the post of Section Officer will be posted in the office of the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority or any of the District Legal Services Authorities in the State.

XII. If any candidate attempts to influence the selection process, will not be eligible for selection.

XIII. In the event of any inconsistency between Kannada and English version of this notification, the English version shall prevail.

XIV. On verification, at any stage of recruitment or after appointment, if it is found that the information furnished by the candidate in the application is false or the candidate does not fulfill any of the eligibility criteria and / or that he / she has suppressed / twisted / truncated any material facts, candidature/selection/ appointment stands cancelled.

XV. The candidate furnishing false or incorrect information would not only incur disqualification but also liable for criminal prosecution.

BY ORDER OF HON'BLE EXECUTIVE CHAIRPERSON,
KARNATAKA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Sd/-
(H. SHASHIDHARA SHETTY)
MEMBER SECRETARY,
KARNATAKA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY,
BENGALURU

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